GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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CONCURRENCE BETWEEN STATES
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Water Commission, New Delhi approves the water related schemes keeping into account the inter-State approach;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government of Gujarat has received concurrence for water projects from the collaborating States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES & MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI VINCENT H. PALA)

(a) & (b) As per the revised Guidelines for Investment Clearance by the Planning Commission in respect of Irrigation and Flood Control Projects, all major and or multi-purpose and medium irrigation projects and flood control including drainage projects which have Inter-State ramifications are subject to techno-economic appraisal in Central Water Commission (CWC) and then approved by the Advisory Committee on Irrigation, Flood Control and Multi-purpose projects in the Ministry of Water Resources (MoWR) before the investment clearance of such projects / schemes is accorded by the Planning Commission. Allocations made to the co-basin States by the Inter-State Water Dispute Tribunal (ISWDT) award or as per the valid Inter-State Agreement is taken cognizance of while examining projects in CWC from inter-State angle.

(c) & (d) During the recent past, two projects of Gujarat namely i) Improvement of Kakrapar RBMC, Ukai RBMC and Modernization of Ukai LBMC system and ii) Improvement of Mahi Right Bank Canal Project of Gujarat have been appraised in CWC from inter-State angle as per the recommendation of Thirumalai Ayengar Committee Report dated 31.1.1958 on Ukai Dam and Agreement dated 10.1.1966 between Rajasthan and Gujarat for exploitation of Mahi waters. The project "Improvement of Kakrapar RBMC, Ukai RBMC and Modernization of Ukai LBMC system" has been accorded investment clearance by Planning Commission in March 2012, while the project "Improvement of Mahi Right Bank Canal Project" has been accepted by the Advisory Committee of MoWR in September 2011.